

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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: ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION

SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLICATION

FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND

METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please delete the original title and insert therefor:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH AN IMPROVEMENT IN ALIGNMENT, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 4, lines 2-4, with the following text:

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The interlayer insulating film 107 is also formed in the element formation region SR, and on the interlayer insulating film 107 planarized by CMP, the bit line layer 109 is formed.